British and American English

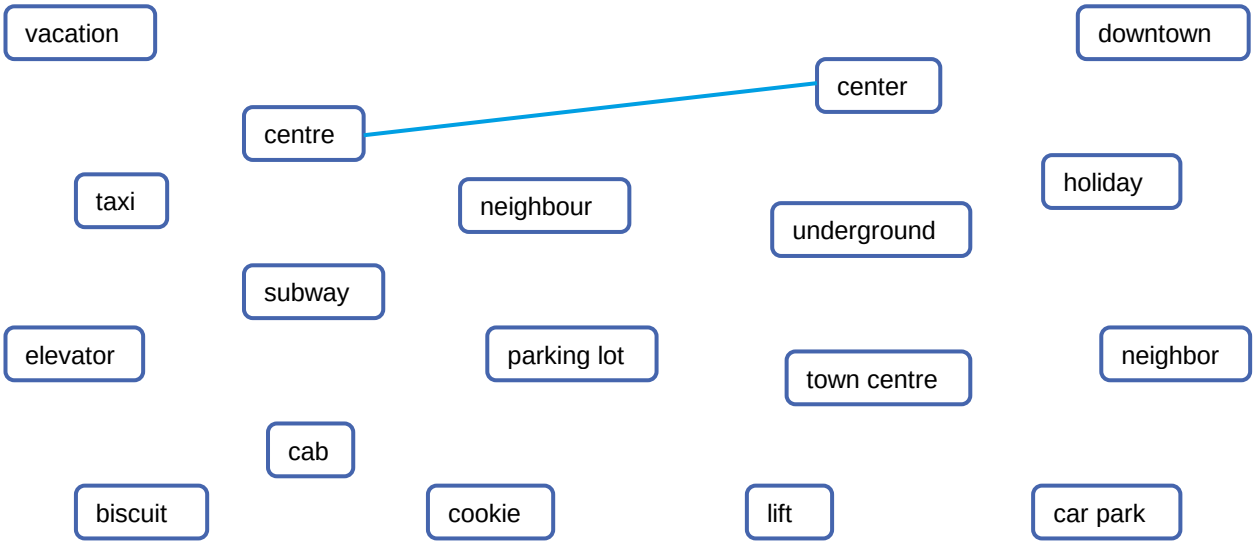
Some words are different in British English (BE) and American English (AE). Sometimes there are two different words and sometimes the words are just spelt[1] or pronounced[2] differently.

1. Look at the words and find the pairs.
2. Connect the words and fill out the table.
3. Use a dictionary if you need help.

Tip

Here are some rules for the different spellings in British English (BE) and American English (AE):

British English	→	American English
*colour (-**ou**-)*	→	*color (-**o**-)*
*theatre (-**re**)*	→	*theater (-**er**)*



British English	American English	Deutsch
centre	center	das Zentrum

[1] to spell – *buchstabieren*; [2] to pronounce – *aussprechen*

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